

December 9, 1976

MEMO TO FILE:

Re: Minerals Recovery Corporation
ML 17661 SL #1
Sec. 36, T. 30 S., R. 25 E.
San Juan County, Utah

DOE/037/001

This exempt mine was inspected on December 3, 1976, to determine if the actual area of operations was less than two acres in area affected. A Declaration of Exemption form (MR 4) was filed by Mr. Eric Newman of Minerals Recovery Corporation for this surface uranium mine.

The open pit is located adjacent to a very large open pit which has been abandoned. Overburden is being removed from the new pit and dumped into the large pit. One old adit or vertical shaft is visible in the excavation of the new operation.

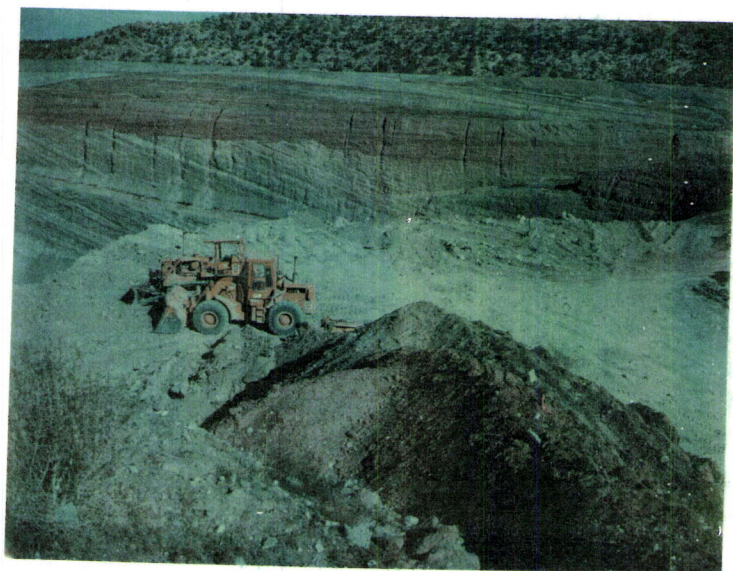
The total area, including roads, the pit itself, and the dumps, does not appear to be less than two acres. Vertical walls of about 40 to 50 feet in height compose the sides of the new pit. For safety reasons, these walls would probably require cutting to a more stable angle. If this action were to be taken the operations area would definitely exceed the two acre size limit. The operator will be contacted for a survey plot and area determination of the total operations.

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